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Services Division

Committee on European Satellites

(EuSat Committee Meeting - 21st Meeting - 1330 15 August 1956)

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Four FDD linguists met with the EuSat Committee on 15 August for the purpose of discussing procedural problems and substantive satellite developments which are of mutual interest to FDD and ORR personnel. Those attending from FDD were

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The principal point of interest developed in the meeting, from the standpoint of the FDD exploitation effort, was that the satellite linguists had recently been directed to concentrate their activity on certain fields rather than attempt to cover the whole gamut of economic information. Economic services were not included in these limited fields and, while services are not to be ignored in the translation effort, D/S will receive less than has been supplied heretofore.

The FDD representatives stated that Poland and Czechoslovakia are showing a definite tendency to officially release more economic data. This tendency was particularly evident in Poland.

When asked for their views of significant economic developments in the two countries under consideration, the FDD representatives noted a number of points of interest. Among them was the observation that, with respect to CEMA, Czechoslovakia appeared to have been given responsibility for engineering industries. Mr. [REDACTED] noted that, in Poland, officials evidently were seriously concerned about certain basic problems of the worker such as wages and unemployment.

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[REDACTED], FID linguists concerned with Bulgaria, Rumania and Albania, will appear at the 22 August meeting to discuss OER - FID coordination as well as substantive problems relating to the three southern satellites.

You are reminded that meetings are now held in room 2130 M at 1330 on Wednesday.

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Chairman

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